



# The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST  
SOUTH YUKON

## Daniel's Success

Around 605 BC a young man named Daniel was taken from his homeland of Judah and carried as a prisoner to Babylon where the King Nebuchadnezzar wanted to change everything about him, starting with his name. He was taught the language and literature of the Babylonians and placed in a program of training for three years. After the training, he would be ready to enter the king's service.

And enter the king's service he did! When the three years had passed, Daniel and three other men from Judah named Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were found to be the best of all the young men trained for the king's service. In fact, "And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm (Daniel 1:20).

Nebuchadnezzar had a dream that he wanted interpreted. Trouble was, he could not remember what he had dreamed! So he called in his astrologers, magicians, and the like to tell him not only what his dream meant, but even what he dreamed. All the men became very afraid when the King threatened to kill them if they failed. They were helpless! When Daniel heard, though, that the King was going to kill all the astrologers and magicians, he went to Nebuchadnezzar and by the power of the God of Heaven told him both what he had dreamed and what the dream meant. Because of this, Daniel was promoted to "ruler over all the province of Babylon and placed in charge of all of its wise men."

Later, when Belshazzar became king, he changed the chain of command somewhat by appointing satraps in all the provinces who answered to three administrators who answered directly to the king. Scripture says that Daniel so distinguished himself among the administrators and the satraps by his exceptional qualities that the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom. Daniel had reached the top!

What is so important about Daniel, though, is that he reached the top without compromising his relationship with God. When commanded to eat the royal foods, he held to his resolve not to. Later when Daniel's competing governors sought for a charge against him to bring before the King, they were unable to do so. They could find no corruption in him, because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent. They realized that if they were going to find something against him, it was going to have to do something with the law of his God. They were right! Their plan worked perfectly right up to the end; but even at the threat of losing everything, Daniel maintained his relationship with God. It was not going to be sacrificed on the altar of success!

I hope that in your line of work, you are able to reach the top. I encourage you, though; don't reach the top in the business world at the expense of your relationship with God. Look to Daniel to know that you can have both, but also remember that the job will not take you into ETERNAL BLISS. Only God can do that!

*Richard*

## Calendar

- Sunday**  
Couples Retreat
- Monday**  
Cancer Support Group  
Elder's Meeting
- Tuesday**  
Funtimers Lunch  
Autism Support Group  
NAMI Support Group  
Ladies PM Bible Study
- Wednesday**  
Toastmasters  
Sonshine Stickers  
Ladies AM Bible Study  
Bible Study
- Thursday**  
Foster Care Support Group  
NAMI Support Group
- Friday**  
Church Lunch
- Saturday**  
Mirror Ministry Meets  
GiG Group  
G3G Group  
SOS Group  
NAMI Support Group

## Welcome to Our Family!



**Brett and Mallory Smith**  
**Kali, Colin, Heidi and Brytni**  
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Oklahoma City, OK 73128  
261-0417



**Steven and Amy Rains**  
**Jeremy and Jillian**  
6629 Woodridge Avenue  
Oklahoma City, OK 73132  
728-9804

# FALL FESTIVAL

Friday, October 31st  
6:30 - 8:30pm  
Fellowship Hall

**We need lots of candy donations!!!  
Container in the foyer.**

# Prayer Requests

**Chris and Joni Beck** have a friend **Lynzi Black** whose father had an ATV accident. **Larry Bledsoe** had a bladder scope and it revealed 4 more tumors, in the bladder, which they removed. He will meet with the doctor in 2 weeks to determine treatment.

**Robert Daniel**, the brother of Arlene Earley and Gerry McCormick, did not have to have a stint placement after all. They will control his condition with medication.

**Renee Davis** is having some health problems with Rheumatoid arthritis, she is the mother of Brian Martinez that has been coming with Bill/Teresa Harris (Brian works with Bill).

**Philip Driskill** had test run last week and is waiting on results.

**Bob Kelly**, Nick's dad, is waiting on test results and treatment options.

**Ted Leach**, the brother in law of Rick Marcotte, was diagnosed with severe blockage in his arteries and will have open heart surgery Monday at the OK Heart Hospital.

**Paula Leaman's mother** was treated and sent home from the ER last week with pain and swelling in her feet. She is also experiencing Sundowners syndrome.

**Bobby Marcum**, son of Keith and Carol, was hospitalized last week and is in the Crisis Center in Oklahoma City.

**Lawana McFarland**, mother of Kay Thompson, is having some diagnostic testing.

**Kaleen Myers' son** requests prayers for a coworker **Christine Dalht**, who is very ill.

**Michael New** is home recovering.

**Leon Payne** (former member) passed away. Services were Saturday in Lindsay, OK.

**April Schultz**, the caretaker for Don and Veda Morris, had emergency surgery for a ruptured colon. She is in the Yukon Hospital. (April visits here with Velma Lemons)

**Daisy Valliant** is in the Bellevue Health and Rehab Center at 6500 N. Portland. To send her a card, send to Daisy Valliant, P.O. Box 850403, Yukon 73085.

**Kathy Wallace** requests prayers for Bill. He is still missing. Please keep Kathy in your prayers as well.

**Condolences for the Bill Kennedy family**, friends and neighbors of Norma Heldreth. Bill passed away last week. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Please continue to pray for:** **Shyree** (Mike and Cathy Morris' Foster child), **Granton Bayless** (K. McKeever's nephew), **Chuck Bledsoe**, **Linda Bratcher**, **George Bryan** (Joy Wallace's dad), **Margaret Bryson** (Newberry's aunt), **Chris Daugherty** (Daugherty's son), **Orpha Dean** (Andy's mom), **Merv Deason**, **Billie Ferrell** (D. Cassel's mother), **Noah Givens** (Coles's great nephew), **Buddy Glass** (V. Bonny's dad), **Jack Hicks**, **Brad Hudson** (bhudson16@cox.net), **Barbara Johnson** (coworker of T. Harris), **Don Kilmer**, **Gordon Leaman**, **Wayne Mashburn** (E.Reece's father), **Brad May** (Mission Trip), **Emily McCoy** (D. Watson's daughter/Liver transplant list), **Tim Mize** (108 Snowmass), **Tim Newby** (Burk's son~Grace Living Center, 3233 NW 10th, Room 411, OKC 73107), **Roy and Edna Nusbaum**, **Alline Pace** (K. Wallace's mother), **Anita Readnour**, **Delbert & Lillie Shockley** (friends of Heldreth/Harris), **Sandra Schoolcraft**, **TC & Lylia Seitz**, **Ben Sharp** (Bette's grandson/Coma), **Bette Sharp**, **Julian and Coy Wallace** (Joe's parents), **Cobey Walters**, **Mel and Debbie Warden**, **Betty Watts** (s-i-l of Wayne Watts), **Mary White** (B. Myers mother), **Wilma and Charles Yarbrough** (L.Perry's parents).

**Cancer:** **Arthur Anthony** (brother of E. Hughes), **Ken Bennett**, **Larry Bledsoe**, **Newman Bradford** (C. Onley's brother), **John Broach** and **Virginia Broach** (Fred's parents), **Gary Brawner** (Patrick's dad), **Jennifer Clark** (Rosie Hinkle's granddaughter), **Ron Clemmens** (Brian's dad), **Neil Cosgrove**, **Wilbur Cravey** (C. Mayhan's father), **Sharon Emmert** (B. Wallace's cousin), **Stefanie Grantello**, **Bill Harris**, **Norman High** (C. Montgomery's dad), **Dean Hill**, **Don Hooper** (T. Addington's father), **Judy Hurt** (V. Stephen's sister), **Bea Johnson**, **Tara Johnson** (friend of C&J Beck), **Carol Karuth** (V. Stephens mother), **Sandra Leist** (P. McIntyre's sister), **Jim Linam**, **Marvin McCathern** (Floyd's brother), **Yvonne McGaugh**, **Becky Morgan** (A&M Dean's friend), **Gerald Morgan** (b-i-l of A. Morgan), **Jeannette Oclaray**, **Vonda McPherson** (N. Heldreth's cousin), **Kenneth Roberts** (Cindi Stump's uncle), **Bob Schmidt** (J&P Cox's uncle), **Tommy Schultz** (b-i-l of A & L Bratcher), **Bobby Shook** (brother of Myrtle McCathern), **AJ Smith** (friend of Deason's), **Frances Stinnett** (Lara Davis' mother), **Paul Taylor** (Onleys b-i-l), **Marilyn Tulley**, liver cancer (cousin of Ken Bennett) **Shelli Vang**, **John Walker** (A. Williams dad), **Nancy Weddle** (M. Shipp's friend), **Jack Womack**. **Please remember their spouses & families as well.**

**Our Shut-ins:** **Evelyn Cannon**, **Marie Cox**, **Audrey Gray**, **Liz Knight**, **Don and Veda Morris**, **Buck Buchanan**, **Alice Ralls**, **Marlene Wadkins**

**On Hospice Care:** **Isabel Allen** (mother of Marilyn Dean), **Mary Jane McCampbell** (Ashley Carstarphen's grandmother)

**Expectant Mothers:** **Phyllis Cox** (Jan), **Maria Clark** (March)

**Activated Military Personnel:** **Daniel Alvarez** (cousin to Kristi finefrock), **Mick Dustin**, **Brian Carroll** (friend of Easter's), **Brian Childers** (friend of J. Hughs), **Ricardo Curbelo** (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), **Alex Gibson** (JL Mays' nephew) **Chris and Bethann Lister** (N. Moates niece and husband), **Jeremy Lassiter** (J. Mayhan's friend), **Chan Aaron** (M. Hughs' brother), **Alex Wagner** (friend of the Shrivvers), **Stanley Sharp** (B. Sharp's grandson)



The couples listed in this WGHJ article are Teams of Two at the Quartz Mountain Couples' Retreat this weekend. The astericks indicate couples who have been on the retreat team this year. These Teams of Two have worked hard in the past several months to plan a great retreat! Please say a prayer for all of these couples by name today so that the impact of the weekend will stay with them for years. Our goal is that every couple will commit themselves to God's plan for their marriage. Their commitment will strengthen the entire church!

**Alex and Kristy Awtry**

**Gary and Vicki Baumwart**

**Chris and Tammy Beshears\***

**Matt and Melaney Bonnette\***

**Alan and Johna Bouda**

**Patrick and Mary Brawner\***

**Luke and Amy Carnagey**

**Mike and Sara Clark\***

**Cougan and Erica Collins**

**Jason and Phyllis Cox\***

**Bill and Melody Dixon**

**Greg and Lynna Dobbins**

**Jeremy and Kristi Finefrock\***

**Ben and Amber Garner\***

**Troy and Sasha Gilbert**

**Gary and Carol Goodger**

**Bryan and Katie Hartman**

**James and Lori Hickman**

**Jason and Micha Hughs\***

**Dan and Shirley Jones**

**Erich and Amy Kantsperger**

**Micah and Robyn Keele\***

**Andy and Laura Langham**

**Gordon and Paula Leaman**

**Brad and Krista Lewis**

**Richard and JeannaLynn May\***

**Harry and Beverly Meadows**

**Mike and Angie Meadows**

**Tommy and Renee Middleton\***

**James and Cathy Montgomery\***

**Cody and Jennifer Nichols\***

**Darro and Jannette Oclaray**

**Daniel and Heidi Olson**

**Richard and Fran Riebe**

**Don and Marlo Roddy**

**Mel and Doris Schaefer**

**Rod and Ardith Sheaffer**

**Clint and Debora Snyder**

**Jeff and Melissa Thompson**

**Mike and Kay Thompson**

**Markus and Shannon Truelove**

**Corey and Ronda Vanover**

**Cobey and Diane Walters**

*Richard and JeannaLynn*



## The Fast Lane

I do not watch NASCAR racing on TV, but you do have to wonder what an exhilarating feeling that must be to drive that fast. To experience a small portion of this just drive on the, as I like to call it, Lake Hefner speedway. In reality our lives our lived in the fast lane. We move from one appointment to the next, we involve ourselves or our kids in so many activities that we only have time to meet one another in the garage as we leave in separate cars.

In Psalm 46:10 God says, “*Be still and know that I am God.*” It is important to take time for God to learn who He is and the blessings he has given us. Even Jesus told his disciples after returning from a mission trip to take time to rest (Mark 6:31). Step out of the fast lane and spend time in prayer and bible study to appreciate the things God has blessed us with. Remember, too many times our busy schedules are our own fault. Let’s look to God for guidance and ask Him to direct our steps.

Stay strong and stay true South Yukon.

*Gene*

## Teen News

### Area Wide

Sunday, October 12th at North MacArthur church of Christ.

### Attention Parents of Teens

Gene would like to meet with you Sunday, October 12th following morning services for a potluck lunch.

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## 9th-12th Grade Girls

All 9th - 12th grade girls are invited to be part of the “Sisterhood of Service” (SOS)! We meet the 2nd Saturday of every month and do service projects.

Currently, we are collecting toys and books for the Bethany Children’s Center. The Wish lists for the toys and books are on the green bin in the foyer. On Saturday, October 11th, we will meet at the church at 9:30am, take these donated items to the Children’s Center and then tour the hospital! We hope you will be a part of it!

For more information ask any of the girls who went to the Ropes Course or ask Kristi Finefrock.



## A Word on Loyalty

In this time of politicking for President there are numerous positive and negative events going on. We read of the candidates’ good characteristics (from them) and their bad ones (from their opponent). So, every four years we draw our political lines and make a big “to do” over the election.

I recently read that in 1992, as the campaigns heated up, the Associated Press took a poll among Americans. They asked, “To which candidate are you most strongly committed?” The results were:

- 34% of Perot supporters were strongly committed to him
- 30% of Bush supporters were strongly committed to him
- 25% of Clinton supporters were strongly committed to him (so much for polls)

But here is the kicker – at that same time the pollsters found that 65% of Americans were strongly committed to their brand of deodorant!

In 1862 President Lincoln’s popularity waned. He was the focus of criticism in the North. Many had feelings of despair. Unable to stand the controversies any longer a Preacher named Joseph Gilmore wrote a poem entitled “He Leadeth Me” to express his faith in GOD, not politicians. Later music was put to the poem and is still in our song books today.

Regardless of which person is our President; regardless of which brands we prefer; God deserves our ultimate loyalty. Daily we live out a commitment to the One who loved us beyond our comprehension. You won’t get that from a politician. You won’t get that from the business world.

Keep the Light Burning! *Perry*

## Attention All First Time Guests!

We have a gift for you this morning to thank you for worshipping with us. Please go to the table in the “Guest Connections” area of the foyer following our worship service. Richard May, some of our elders, and members of our Guest Connections Team will be there to greet you.

*Perry*

# Ministry Spotlight

## Youth

Deacon – Gene Newberry  
Elders – Rick Riebe

Statistics have proven that the most likely group of individuals to leave a church is teenagers. The next group is the young adults in their early twenties. This is why it is important for us to nurture our young people.

The Youth Ministry is charged with providing a safe haven for our kids, offering them unconditional love and support. In addition to helping the young people in their relationship to God, the Ministry works on building relationships between the youth and their parents and intergenerational relationships within the church. In addition to Bible classes, the Youth Ministry provides a number of activities to promote spiritual growth. These include:

- Leadership Training for Christ
- Shut-In Visitation
- Youth Rallies
- Camp
- Lock-ins
- Family Fellowships

*Perry*



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### Missionaries

#### Fishers of Men

Darrell & Jean O'Rourke

#### SEARCH TV

Mack Lyon

#### Adventures in Missions

Pat & Malissa Sheaffer

#### South Africa Bible School

Al & Donna Horne

#### South Africa

Austin, Gabriel and Lucky

#### Brazil

Mel & Marly Latorre

#### Thailand

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul

#### Ecuador

Julio Perez, Luis Andrango, Armando Troya

Kent & Sharla Marcum

#### Guadalajara

Cory & Toni Burns

### Statistics

#### Attendance

Bible Classes: ..... 337  
Worship A.M.: ..... 557  
Worship P.M.: ..... 185  
Home Group: ..... 150  
Worship P.M.Total: ..... 335  
Wednesday ..... 302  
Daily Bible Readers: ..... 57  
Present Membership: ..... 610

#### Contribution

Last Week: ..... \$12,064  
Budget Requires: ..... \$15,922

# Family Matters



### Tuesday Evening Ladies Bible Class

6:30pm in the home of Vicky Sterling.  
Lesson 2 ~ "Adonai".

### Toys for Children's Center

The 9th thru 12th grade girls are collecting toys, games, and books for the Children's Center in Bethany. There is a collection box in the foyer with a list of things to buy. If you have questions contact Kristi Finefrock or any 9th thru 12th grade girl."

### Thank You

Dear Family, Thank you for keeping me in your prayers these many months. Keith and I appreciate all the encouragement you give us as I went through my treatments. We love you and are truly blessed to be a part of our Lord's body meeting here in South Yukon. Carol Marcum

Dear Church family, thanking you for all the nice cards, caring thoughts and prayers. Audrey Gray

We would like to whole heartedly thank you for all the presents, prayers and love that you have given us in this joyful time. We are so happy to have our little Heidi and we thank God ever day for such a blessing. We love you all very much! Clint, April and Heidi Everhart

### Annual "Mel Schaefer Hole in One" Celebration

Tuesday, Oct. 7th at Ft. Cobb Golf Course. If you would like to go, we will leave from the church parking lot at 7:00am.

### Postcard from Brad May

The coolest part of the trip this far has been standing on top of the mountain on top of the Great Wall. Thank you for all your support in getting me here! You're always in my thoughts and prayers. December will be here before we know it. Make the best of your time. Love you, Brad

### Address Changes

Doug and Debsee Hale, 504 N. Jacob Terrace, Mustang, OK 73064, home phone 256-5188, work cell 921-5808

Colby and Sandi Doyel, 500 Pointe Parkway Blvd., #2124, Yukon, 517-6870.

### Parent/Teen PotLuck

See Teen Section of Bulletin for info.

### Can-Do Cancer Support Group

Meets, Monday, October 6th at 6:30 in the Parlor. Info see Jim Linam or Patty Booker.

### Sonshine Stitchers

Will meet to work on projects on Wednesday, October 8th from 9:00 to Noon in the Fellowship Hall. For more information see Florine Jones.

### Romans Bible Study

All ladies are invited to attend at Bible Study on the Book of Romans. They meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 in the conference room. This study is led by Jeanette Schoof and Mary Sue Sanders.

### Mirror Ministry

All Groups meet Saturday, October 11th from 10:00 to Noon.

### Funtimer Lunch

The Funtimers will meet for Lunch and a service project on Tuesday, October 7th at Noon in the Fellowship Hall.

### Children's Activity Pack

Parents – we are providing an "activity pack" for your children. It contains a worksheet and crayons – just for them. Please pick these up in the baskets at the *Guest Connections* table or on the corners of the stage area. When you get home, be sure to talk about the activities they did to reinforce their Bible learning.

### Careline Information

If you would like to receive the Careline information that is sent out via email Monday thru Friday, listing the ill of the congregation and prayer requests, please email the office at: office@southyukon.org or write your request down along with your email address and put it on Lorie's desk and we will get you on the list.

### Search Fund

A Search Fund has been set up for Bill Wallace at the following:  
Bill Wallace Search Fund, First Fidelity Bank, Classen Office, P. O. Box 32282, OKC, OK 73123-0482.

### Congratulations

To AJ and Patty Clements on the birth of a new grandson, Grant James. He was born September 30th to Tricia and Mike Roark and weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces.